



Hello there and welcome to the March National School Lunch Program Webinar. My name is Heather Blume and I am a coordinator for the National School Lunch Program. Today myself and Ed Herrera, Lead of USDA Foods and the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program and coordinator in NSLP will be presenting the monthly webinar.

Objectives:

- * Policy Memos
- * New Whole Grain Resource
- * Non-creditable Grains
- * Product Formulation Sheet
- * Collecting Labels
- * Wellness Policy Proposed Rule
- * Changes to the CNP Website
- * Refresher on FFVP
- * Program Updates



Today we will be discussing recently released policy memos and new resource released by USDA on Whole Grains. This resource includes information on non-creditable grains and product formulation sheets. We will briefly touch on the importance of keeping product labels to determine crediting equivalencies and changes to the CNP website. Lastly we will cover information on the FFVP, the proposed rule for the wellness policy and program updates.

Policy Memos



- * **SP21-2014** Community Eligibility Provision: Guidance and Q&A
- * **SP23-2014** Q&A Related to the “Smart Snacks” Interim Rule
- * **SP25-2014** SFAs Purchasing from U.S DoD Fresh for FFVP
- * **SP26-2014** Q&A for Certification of Compliance with NSLP Meal Pattern
- * **SP28-2014** Paid Lunch Equity: Guidance for SY 2014-15
- * **Sp29-2014** Consolidated Appropriations Act Report Language on Waivers for SBP and Smart Snacks
- * **SP 32-2014** Community Eligibility Provision: Annual Notification and Publication Requirements

The policy memos we will discuss can be seen here. Some of the topics include Community eligibility, smart snacks, the NSLP meal Pattern, and the Paid lunch equity.

SP21-2014 Community Eligibility Provision: *Guidance and Q&A's*
SP 32-2014 Community Eligibility Provision: *Annual Notification & Publication Requirements*

* To be eligible:

- * Minimum level of 40% of identified students
- * SFA must serve free meals to all students
- * SFA must NOT collect free and reduced applications

* Identified Students:

- * Directly Certified Students (SNAP, TANF, FDPIR, DC siblings or household members)
- * Homeless, runaway, Head Start, migrant youth
- * **DOES NOT INCLUDE** those on F/R applications



WHAT IS COMMUNITY ELIGIBILITY?

Two of the recently released policy memos pertain to the Community Eligibility Provision Program. To be eligible, schools must meet a minimum of 40% identified students for free meals in the year prior to implementing the CEP. They must also agree to serve free lunches and breakfasts to all students, to not collect free and reduced applications, and to cover any costs associated with providing free meals with Federal assistance with non-federal funds.

Now lets talk about the term identified students. This is the terminology used by USDA to refer to students who are directly certified through the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP, the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families program, or TANF, and the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). The term “identified students” also includes homeless, runaway, Head Start, and migrant youth. Identified students **DO NOT** include those students who are categorically eligible based on the submission of a free and reduced price application.

SP21-2014 Community Eligibility Provision: Guidance and Q&A's



- * Claiming percentages:
 - * Established first year
 - * May be used for 4 school years
 - * May be increased each year if identified student percentages increase
 - * The percentage of identified students is multiplied by 1.6 to get the free reimbursement rate
 - * The remaining percentage of meals will be paid at the paid rate

The claiming percentages for Community Eligibility Provision are established in the first year and may be used for a period of four school years. The claiming percentages may be increased each year if the identified student percentages rise for the district and/or school. To calculate the claiming percentages, the identified student percentage is multiplied by a factor of 1.6 to determine the total percentage of meals reimbursed at the federal free reimbursement rate. The percentage for free meals is not to exceed 100%. The remaining percentage of meals, to reach a total of 100%, is reimbursed at the federal paid reimbursement rate. These claiming percentages are then applied to the total number of lunch and the total number of breakfast meals to determine the number of meals claimed at the free and paid rates.

Community Eligibility



School	Identified Students*	Enrollment	Identified Student Percentage (ISP)	Factor	Claiming Percentages
Elementary School	50	100	$50/100 = 50\%$	$\times 1.6$	$50\% \times 1.6 = 80\%$ Free $100\% - 80\% = 20\%$ Paid
High School	125	625	$125/625 = 20\%$ NOT ELIGIBLE	$\times 1.6$	N/A

*Identified Students: Directly Certified Students (SNAP, TANF, FDPIR, DC siblings or household members), homeless, runaway, Head Start, migrant youth

Here is a table that demonstrates how community eligibility will be determined. In the first row, you can see that the elementary school is eligible based on the number of identified students divided by the number of enrolled students. This calculation gives you the Identified student percentage (or ISP as it is called in MyIdahoCNP). If the ISP is greater than 40%, then the school qualifies for Community eligibility provision. If the ISP is lower than 40%, as seen with the High School then the school is not eligible. Districts have the ability to combine eligible and non-eligible schools identified students and enrollment data to form eligible groups, but this feature is not yet available in MyIdahoCNP.

Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) - Site Eligibility
For School Year: 2013 - 2014

General Information

Reporting Date: April 01, 2014
 Due Date: June 30, 2014

Instructions

The Community Eligibility Provision (CEP) for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) provides an alternative to household applications for free and reduced price meals for economically disadvantaged students in local educational agencies (LEAs) and schools. Sites that elect this option agree to serve all students free lunches and breakfasts for four (4) successive school years and claim the meals based on a percentage of **Identified Students** multiplied by a USDA-defined multiplier factor.

Sites which have an Identified Student Percentage (ISP) of 40% or greater are eligible for this option.
 Sites which have an Identified Student Percentage (ISP) between 30.00% - 39.99% are **potentially eligible**.

Enter each Site's Number of Identified Students and Enrollment as of the Reporting Date.


Select sites are eligible for CEP

Site ID	Site Name	Nbr of Identified Students	Enrollment	ISP	Eligible?	Potentially Eligible?
102	Elementary School	125	250	50.00 %	X	
601	Middle School	80	266	30.07 %		X
401	High School	50	200	25.00 %		
Sponsor Totals		255	716	35.61 %		

Total Sites: 3

This is how the CEP data will be reported in MyIdahoCNP. As you can see, you will want to list the number of identified students, or those students who came up on the direct certification list—including homeless, runaway, and migrant students—in the first column. You will then list your enrolled students in the next column. Enrolled students include students who are enrolled in and attend schools participating in community eligibility provision and who have access to at least one meal service daily. Include in enrollment all students who have access, not just those students who participate in the program.

Community Eligibility



- * Participation
 - * By district or by school
 - * Schools may be grouped together to form an eligible group
- * Reporting to Determine Eligibility
 - * The number of identified students
 - * Enrollment at each participating school
 - * **April 1st data (or first school date after April 1st)**
 - * **Submitted no later than April 15th**
- * Resources
 - * <http://www.sde.idaho.gov/site/cnp/nsip/cep.htm>

While there is a minimum of 40% for the identified student percentage, if a school in a district does not qualify, it may be combined with another school with a higher identified student percentage to create and aggregate percentage.

In order to enroll in Community Eligibility Provision, the identified students and enrollment at each site as of April 1 of the prior year must be reported in MyIdahoCNP. This means in order to enroll next year, you must fill out the Community Eligibility Provision using **this year's April 1st data. This data must be completed by April 15th.** The Community Eligibility module can be found under the application section of MyIdahoCNP.

SP23-2014 Questions and Answers Related to the “Smart Snacks” Interim Final Rule

- * Smart Snacks nutrition standards are required to be implemented July 1, 2014
- * Policy memo available on the Child Nutrition Website under the National School Lunch tab → Smart Snacks
- * This can be seen on the next slide



The next policy memo is SP 23-2014. As a reminder, the new Smart Snacks Nutrition Standards are required to be implemented July 1, 2014.

SP 23-2014 is a memo referring to the new Smart Snacks nutrition guidelines. This memo is a series of questions and answers related to the Smart Snacks regulations and is available on the Idaho Child Nutrition Program Website. [CHANGE SLIDES] Simply click on the green box to get to the National School Lunch Program and then click on Smart Snacks, which is located in the column to the left of the screen. The policy memo is labeled “Questions & Answers-March 5, 2014 under the “What are those standards heading” as seen on the next slide.



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Smart Snacks in Idaho Schools

The Healthy Hunger Free Kids Act of 2010 obligated the USDA to establish nutrition standards for all food sold in school. July 1, 2014, those nutrition standards go into effect.

State Department of Education Policy on Smart Snacks in Idaho Schools

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Why the Standards?

"Parents are working hard to ensure their children grow up healthy and their efforts should not be undone when their kids go to school. Our children's ability to learn in the classroom and reach their fullest potential depends on what we do right now to secure their future."

[Smart Snacks in School Nutrition Standards
Interim Final Rule Questions and Answers](#)

What are those standards?

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SP25-2014 School Food Authorities (SFAs) Purchasing Produce from U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) Vendors Using Section 4 and 11 or Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program (FFVP) Funds



- * SFAs may buy fresh fruit and vegetables from DoD Fresh vendors
- * Per regulations, SFAs must conduct an informal or formal procurement process
- * If the DoD Fresh vendor won the bid, the SFA must contract directly with the vendor
- * SFAs may not place orders through the DoD's FFAVORS system for any purchases using section 4 and 11 or FFVP funds

SP 25-2014 refers to purchasing from DoD Vendors. SFAs may use funds provided under Section 4 and 11 or 19 of the National School Lunch Act to purchase fresh fruits and vegetables from the Department of Defense Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program vendors. All direct purchases using Section 4 and 11 or Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Funds are subject to the federal procurement regulations at 7 CFR 3016.36. This includes items procured informally. This means that the SFA must conduct either a formal, or informal procurement process and evaluate the bids. If the DoD Fresh vendor's bid won the submission, the SFA must contract directly with the vendor. It is not permissible for SFAs to place orders through the DoD FFAVORS system for any purchases to be paid with Section 4 and 11 or FFVP funds. SFAs that currently use the FFAVORS system for purchases paid with Section 4 and 11 or FFVP funds will no longer be able to do so beginning in School Year 2014-2015.

SP26-2014 New Questions and Answers Related to the Certification of Compliance with Meal Requirements for the National School Lunch Program

- * The 6 Cents Final Rule was published on January 3, 2014
- * A new set of questions and answers is now available for 6 Cents inquiries
- * The new Q&As will supersede SP31-2012



SP 26-2014 provides further guidance on the 6 Cents Final Rule for the NSLP meal pattern. The new set of questions and answers revises many of the existing questions, eliminates obsolete questions, and adds new questions to provide more guidance on certifications in the upcoming year.

SP28-2014 Paid Lunch Equity: Guidance for SY 2014-2015

- * Extends the availability of an exemption to the Paid Lunch Equity (PLE) requirements
 - * Must have strong financial standing
 - * Must demonstrate that the SFA has been certified as meeting the meal requirements
 - * Can demonstrate the increase in price will cause the SFA to exceed the 3 month operating balance
 - * Schools who were exempted last year must reapply

PAID LUNCH EQUITY TOOL

SP 28-2014 extends the availability of a PLE exemption. For those of you who may qualify for an exemption, a state agency form is available.

SP28-2014 Paid Lunch Equity: Guidance for SY 2014-2015

- * Requirements to apply for an exemption
 - * SFA certified to meet the meal pattern requirements
 - * Financially prepared to meet future meal pattern requirements (e.g. sodium requirements)
 - * Taking steps to meet Smart Snacks requirements
 - * SFA corrected any deficiencies found during an Administrative Review
 - * All child nutrition staff vacancies are filled
 - * SFA has all necessary equipment for cafeteria and kitchen

PAID LUNCH EQUITY TOOL

The requirements to apply for an exemption are more rigorous this year than in previous years and include being certified to meet the meal pattern requirements, being prepared to implement Smart Snacks requirements, and having all child nutrition staff vacancies filled.

PLE Waiver for 2014-15	
<p>School District <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>District Number <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Food Service Director/Supervisor <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Date of Request <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Approved for Additional Six Cents Reimbursement? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No Date <input style="width: 50px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Describe the system (manual, electronic, etc) the SFA uses to track student eligibility determinations? (i.e. Free, Reduced, Paik, DC, Foster, Homeless...) <input style="width: 100%; height: 40px;" type="text"/></p> <p>Has the SFA corrected all deficiencies in the most recent review? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Are there vending machines at any sites? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Do food items available in the vending machines comply with Smart Snack regulations? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p>Is the SFA taking specific steps toward meeting the new Smart Snacks in Schools Standards for items sold from the SFA account? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Are there any projected financial considerations associated with these changes? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Number of exempted fund-raisers the district has chosen? <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Is the number of exempted fund-raisers Included in the Wellness Policy? (attach a copy) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If not included in Wellness Policy, please attach a copy of the district Fund-raiser Exemption Policy.</p> <p>Are there simple menu improvements that could be made? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Does the SFA use salad bars? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Does the SFA prevent overt identification at the POS? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Describe method <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PLE Waiver for 2014-15 Continued</p> <p>Does the SFA utilize signage, food placements and other marketing techniques to effectively promote selection of reimbursable meals? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Is the SFA currently meeting all non-program food revenue requirements? (non-program food includes, but is not limited to: a-la-carte items, adult meals, seconds of entrée items) <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Does the SFA have all child nutrition staff vacancies filled? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Does the SFA have necessary cafeteria and kitchen equipment for storing, preparing and serving healthy meals and competitive foods? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>Demonstration that the required increase will cause the SFA to exceed the three month operating balance limit (complete the amounts below):</p> <p>Starting Fund Balance SY 2013-14 <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Income to date: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Expenses to date: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p>Ending Balance: <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/></p> <p><small>I certify under penalty of perjury that the information on these application forms is true and correct, and that I will immediately report to the Idaho State Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs any changes that occur to the information submitted. I understand that this information is being given in connection with receipt of federal funds. The Idaho State Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs may verify information, and the deliberate misrepresentation of information will subject me to prosecution under applicable federal and state criminal statutes.</small></p> <p><small>On behalf of the Sponsor, I hereby agree to comply with all state and federal laws and regulations governing the Child Nutrition Programs administered by the Idaho State Department of Education Child Nutrition Programs. In accordance with Federal law and U.S. Department of Agriculture policy, this Sponsor does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age or disability.</small></p> <p>Signed By <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> Date <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/></p> <p>State Agency Approval <input style="width: 100%;" type="text"/> Date <input style="width: 100px;" type="text"/></p> <p>This request must be e-mailed to LJWestphal@sde.idaho.gov to be entered into the sponsor's electronic file which will be uploaded during the renewal process.</p>

The PLE waiver is available via broadcast email.

If you are interested in applying for a PLE waiver from the state, please follow the instructions and complete the form as seen on this screen and send it to Lynda Westphal at the state agency.

Sp29-2014 Consolidated Appropriations Act Report Language on Waivers for School Breakfast and Smart Snacks

- * No waivers for changes to the School Breakfast Program
- * No waivers for the Smart Snacks Requirements
- * Program changes will go into effect on July 1, 2014

~~Waiver~~

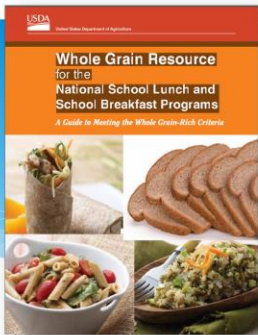
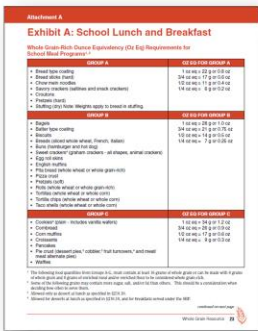
Per SP 29-2014, there will be no waivers for the School Breakfast Program and Smart Snacks requirements that go into effect July 1, 2014.

Program operators should continue preparing for a timely implementation of both the breakfast changes and Smart Snacks requirements

The Consolidate Appropriations Act included report language that directed USDA to establish a process to grant waivers for the 14/15 school year to any LEA unable to operate the program without incurring increased cost to implements the school breakfast changes and smart snacks interim rule. The Richard B. Russell National School Lunch Program limits waivers and specifically prohibits granting waivers that relate to nutritional content of program meals served, or the sale of competitive foods. Since report language is nonbinding in nature and statutory prohibitions are binding, USDA is unable to establish a waiver process.

Whole Grain Resource

- * New Whole Grain Resource Available at:
- * <http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/WholeGrainResource.pdf>
- * Two different ways to determine component crediting:
 - * Exhibit A with Nutrition labels and ingredient lists
 - * 16g creditable grains allowable on manufacturer specification sheets
- * Non creditable grains
- * New product formulation sheet format

In order to better clarify the requirements for grain components and the upcoming whole grain rich, USDA has released a Whole Grain Resource that is available at the following link. In addition to the whole grain resource, the state agency would like to address the different ways to determine the component crediting of grain products.

When menu planning, there are two ways to determine the number of components a grain product will contribute. If the only information available is the nutrition facts label and ingredient list, then the SFA must use Exhibit A, as seen on this slide. When a manufacturer's specification sheet is available, then the product may be counted as a full component if it contains 16g of creditable grains per the manufacturer.

Additionally, non-creditable grains will be examined more closely in upcoming reviews, so an ingredient list including all grain ingredients included in the product will be required with both methods.

Non-Creditable Grains:



- * Non-whole grain or grain fractions that are not enriched (*Grain fractions are parts of grain, like bran, germ and starch*)
- * Flours, meals, and starches from **potato**, **legumes** (including soy), or other vegetables
- Examples:**
 - * Oat Fiber
 - * Corn fiber
 - * Wheat starch
 - * Corn starch
 - * Bran, germ
 - * Modified food starch
 - * Potato flour/starch
 - * Soy flour
 - * Chicory root powder
 - * Corn meal (not whole)
 - * Wheat flour (unenriched)
 - * Rice flour
- * Wheat Gluten is neither a creditable nor a non-creditable grain—you may ignore it
- * Ready to Eat cereals can contain more than 6.99gm of non-creditable grains as long as the primary ingredient is a whole grain and the product is fortified (*Fortification=whole product enrichment*)
- * <http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/WholeGrainResource.pdf> See Page 7 for Non-creditable grains
- * <http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/SP10-2012av7.pdf> See page 24, Question 21

As all grains must meet whole grain rich requirements next year, it will be important to identify non-creditable grain ingredients. These ingredients include parts of whole grains, such as oat fiber and bran and germ. Because these items do not include all parts of the grain, they are not considered whole grain rich and are not creditable. Flours made from non-grain ingredients (such as soy flour or potato flour) are also non-creditable grains. If an item includes non-creditable grains, it must be less than 2% of the ingredients listed or less than 3.99grams.

Product Formulation Sheet

Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains in School Meals

Required Beginning School Year (SY) 2013-2014
(Crediting Standards Based on Grams of Creditable Grains)

School Food Authorities (SFAs) should include a copy of the label from the purchased product package in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative. Grain products may be credited based on previous standards through SY 2012-2013. The new crediting standards for grains (as outlined in Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012) must be used beginning SY 2013-2014. SFAs have the option to choose the crediting method that best fits the specific needs of the menu planner.

Product Name: Wheat Smiley Pancakes Code No.: 14006
Manufacturer: ABC Bread Company Serving Size: 2 pancakes 50g (1.75oz)
(Use rough weight may be used to estimate creditable grain amount)

- I. Does the product meet the Whole Grain-Rich Criteria? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Refer to SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.)
- II. Does the product contain noncreditable grains? ☐ Yes ☒ No How many grams: _____
(Products with more than 0.24 oz equivalent or 3.39 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of noncreditable grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.)
- III. Use Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Exhibit A to determine if the product fits into Groups A-G (baked goods), Group H (cereal grains) or Group I (RTE breakfast cereals). Different methodologies are applied to calculate servings of grain component based on creditable grains. Groups A-G use the standard of 16 grams creditable grain per oz eq. Group H uses the standard of 28 grams creditable grain per oz eq. and Group I is reported by volume or weight.)

Indicate to which Exhibit A Group (A-I) the product belongs: G

Description of Creditable Grain Ingredient*	Grams of Creditable Grain Ingredient per Portion†	Gram Standard of Creditable Grain per oz equivalent (16g or 28g)‡	Creditable Amount A + B
Whole wheat flour (47%)	23.5	16	1.4687
Enriched flour (22%)	11	16	.6875
Total Creditable Amount†			2.156

* Creditable grains are whole grain meal/flour and enriched meal/flour.

† Serving size X % of creditable grain in formula. Please be aware that serving sizes other than grams must be converted to grams.

‡ Standard grams of creditable grain from the corresponding Group in Exhibit A.

§ Total Creditable Amount must be rounded down to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do not round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased: 50 g (1.75oz).

Total contribution of product (per portion): 2.09, or equivalent

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a 1.75 ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides 2.09 oz equivalent grains. I further certify that noncreditable grains are not above 0.24 oz eq. per portion. Products with more than 0.24 oz equivalent or 3.39 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of noncreditable grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.

Signature: _____ Title: _____
Printed Name: _____ Date: _____ Phone Number: _____

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Formulation Statement for Documenting Grains in School Meals

Required Beginning School Year (SY) 2013-2014

Crediting Standards Based on Revised Exhibit A weights per ounce equivalent (oz eq)

School Food Authorities (SFAs) should include a copy of the label from the purchased product carton in addition to the following information on letterhead signed by an official company representative. Grain products may be credited based on previous standards through SY 2012-2013. The new crediting standards for grains (as outlined in Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012) must be used beginning SY 2013-2014. SFAs have the option to choose the crediting method that best fits the specific needs of the menu planner.

Product Name: Wheat Smiley Pancakes Code No.: 14006
Manufacturer: ABC Bread Company Serving Size: 2 pancakes 50g (1.75oz)

- I. Does the product meet the whole grain-rich criteria? ☒ Yes ☐ No
(Refer to SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program.)
- II. Does the product contain noncreditable grains? ☐ Yes ☒ No How many grams: _____
(Products with more than 0.24 oz eq or 3.39 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of noncreditable grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.)
- III. Use Policy Memorandum SP 30-2012 Grain Requirements for the National School Lunch Program and School Breakfast Program: Exhibit A to determine if the product fits into Groups A-G (baked goods), Group H (cereal grains), or Group I (RTE breakfast cereals). (Please be aware that different methodologies are applied to calculate servings of grain component based on creditable grains. Groups A-G use the standard of 16 grams creditable grain per oz eq. Group H uses the standard of 28 grams creditable grain per oz eq. and Group I is reported by volume or weight.)

Indicate to which Exhibit A Group (A-I) the product belongs: C

Description of Product per Food Buying Guide	Portion Size of Product as Purchased A	Weight of 1.0 ounce equivalent as listed in SP 30-2012 B	Creditable Amount† A + B
Pancakes	50 grams	34 grams	1.47
Total Creditable Amount†			1.26

* Total Creditable Amount must be rounded down to the nearest quarter (0.25) oz eq. Do not round up.

Total weight (per portion) of product as purchased: 50 g

Total contribution of product (per portion): 1.26, or equivalent

I certify that the above information is true and correct and that a 1.75 ounce portion of this product (ready for serving) provides 1.26 oz equivalent grains. I further certify that noncreditable grains are not above 0.24 oz eq. per portion. Products with more than 0.24 oz equivalent or 3.39 grams for Groups A-G or 6.99 grams for Group H of noncreditable grains may not credit towards the grain requirements for school meals.

Signature: _____ Title: _____
Printed Name: _____ Date: _____ Phone Number: _____

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In order to identify whether a product contains non-creditable grains a new template for the product formulation sheet has been released by the USDA. An example of this product formulation sheet can be found in the new Whole Grain resource. This document also identifies the number of grain components in the product and can be used in place of a manufacturer's spec sheet or CN label.

Collecting Labels

- * Labels must be saved for the nutrient analysis portion of the Administrative Review
- * Acceptable documentation includes:
 - * Nutrient labels and ingredient lists for grain items
 - * Manufacturer specification sheet
 - * Product Formulation Sheet
 - * CN label →



While not every product requires a CN label or manufacturer spec sheet, these items are helpful for determining the component crediting. For grain items in particular, nutrition facts labels and ingredient lists are necessary to determine if the product is whole grain rich and identify the number of components in the food item if there is no CN label or manufacturer's spec sheet. Though these labels are not required for EVERY product, the state agency will be reviewing the documentation you have on hand and will need enough documentation to verify the component contribution and nutrient content of the food items on the menu.

Best if Used By Dates

- * All Flour Inventory usage has dropped between 33% and 50% from last year
- * You may have received flour with a February Best if Used By Date
- * Best if Used by Date is not an Expiration Date
- * Flour has been stored in cooler since receipt
- * Peanut Butter Example



Wellness Policy Proposed Rule



Proposed rule incorporates the following changes:

- * Requires name, position, title and contact information of the LEA official with information on how the public can get involved
- * Use evidence based strategies (i.e. Smarterlunchroom.org and HUSSC)
- * Include policies that restrict the marketing of foods/beverages to items that comply with Smart Snacks
- * Inform and update the public
- * Annual progress reports/updates for each school in the district
- * Conduct an assessment every three years of the wellness policy efficacy
- * <http://www.fns.usda.gov/sites/default/files/LWPproprulesummary.pdf>

The proposed rule for wellness policy updates has been released and the policy is open for public comment until April 28, 2014. The changes that have been included in the proposed rule are listed here.

National School Lunch Program

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Changes to Website

- * Check out the YouTube channel that broadcasts CNP information!
- * New location for Child Nutrition State Agency Staff Information

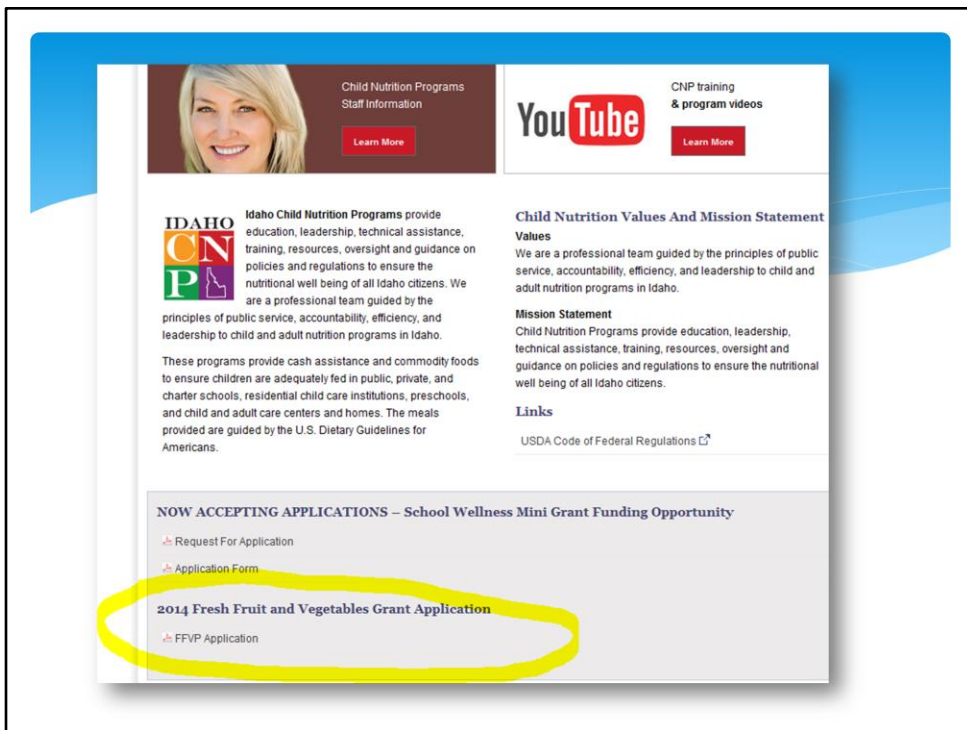
Moving on from the topic of whole grains and labels, we would like to share the changes to the Child Nutrition Website. If you have not been to the website recently, check out our new look! In addition to changes in the formatting, a YouTube channel with Child Nutrition videos has been added and the State Agency Staff information has been moved.

Fruits and Vegetables Eligible for the FFVP

- * Must be fresh
 - * NOT canned, frozen, or dried
- * Dips are allowable for vegetables only
 - * Must be nonfat or low-fat
 - * If you have a question on a certain dip, contact the State Agency for further clarification
- * FFVP Applications now available on the CNP Website
 - * Due April 30th



In terms of toppings or dips that include sugar, the Western Region Office of USDA has stated that “Since schools need to be aware of added sugars and follow a Wellness Policy, we agree that cinnamon sugar packets do not comply with the spirit of the FFVP, or with any of the new improvements to the school meals.” If you are interested in applying for the Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Program, please go to the Child Nutrition Website to download the application.



Fresh Fruit and Vegetable applications are located toward the bottom of the Child Nutrition Homepage.

Updates

- * Renewal will be available starting early May and will extend through May 30th
- * An email with a link to a survey for the High Protein yogurt pilot program will be sent to all sponsors

Flavors available in 4oz Case: Flavors available in 32oz Case:

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| * Strawberry | * Plain |
| * Blueberry | * Vanilla |
| * Vanilla | |



As just a quick update, for those of you who were wondering, renewal will be available beginning in May. As that is little more than a month away, we recommend that SFAs begin to gather the documentation necessary to complete your renewal application

If you are interested in participating in the High Protein Yogurt Pilot program next year, please complete the survey that will be sent to all sponsors via email. Responses will be used to place orders for the 14/15 school year. Whatever you order will be delivered.



2014-2015 High Protein Yogurt Pilot Program

This survey is to pre-order the high protein yogurt products for the 2014-2015 school year. The quantities submitted will be ordered on your behalf.

The High Protein yogurt will be available in two sizes:

Flavors:

Strawberry 24/ 4 ounce

Blueberry 24/ 4 ounce

Vanilla 24/ 4 ounce

Plain 6/ 32 ounce

Vanilla 6/32 ounce

This will be direct ship USDA Foods item which means that there will not be a processing fee. The cost of each case will be the delivery fee of approximately \$17.40 for the 4 ounce product and an estimated \$17.40 of entitlement for the 32 ounce product.

Product should be delivered with a 30 to 50 day shelf life. As a reminder, 4 ounces of high protein yogurt contributes 1 M/MA.

Thank You for Attending

- * Please contact Child Nutrition Programs at 208-332-6820 if you have any questions regarding the information in this webinar.
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